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Applicant(s): Brian Showers et al.

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**AMENDMENT/REPLY**

This paper is being submitted as part of an RCE in response to a Final Office Action dated July 7, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire October 7, 2003. Included herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time, giving applicant a two month extension until December 7, 2003 (as December 7, 2003 is a Sunday, the time for response is extended to Monday, December 8, 2003). In light of the Amendments and/or Remarks herein, further examination is requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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